

Appl. No. 10/060,100
Amdt. Dated December 22, 2003
Reply to Office action of September 3, 2003



REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 2 has been amended to correct a clerical error only.

Claims 6, 7 and 8 have been amended. New claims 17, 18 and 19 have been added to better define the invention.

No new matter has been entered by the above amendments.

The examiner objected to claim 6 under 37 CFR 1.75(c). This claim has been amended to be properly dependant on claim 5, accordingly this objection is overcome.

Claim 7 has been amended to correct an inconsistency therein.

The Examiner rejected claim 8 under 35 USC 112 as being indefinite. Claim 8 has been amended to clarify the feature claimed therein, accordingly the rejection is overcome.

With regard to the rejection of claims 1-16 under the judicially created non statutory double patenting doctrine, applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer under 37 CFR 1.32(c). Accordingly this rejection is overcome. Please note that an Assignment has been filed concurrently herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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